

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims of the present application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c), as indicated below:

1. (currently amended) A fire retardant poke-through fitting comprising:
 - a. a conduit body comprising:
 - i. a conduit,
 - ii. a fixed flange,
 - iii. a slidable flange, and
 - b. an intumescent member formed at least in part of an intumescent material, said intumescent member comprising an aperture corresponding to the conduit and a retention member for retaining the intumescent member on the conduit body

wherein the slidable flange is maintained in relation to the intumescent member during expansion of the intumescent material by means of an engagement member coupling said slidable flange and said intumescent member and further wherein said slidable flange does not engage said conduit, so that the slidable flange travels along said conduit during expansion of said intumescent material.

2. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the fixed flange is located substantially at an upper terminal end of the conduit body.

3. (currently amended) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 ~~wherein 1~~ wherein the intumescent member comprises at least two portions which encircle at least a portion of the conduit body including the fixed flange.

4. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the retention member is taken from the group consisting of adhesives, threads, snaps, wires, catches, fasteners, screws, nails, tacks, rivets, staples, friction detents and friction fittings.

5. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the retention member comprises a slot for receiving the fixed flange of the conduit body.
6. (original) The poke through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the engagement member is taken from the group consisting of adhesives, threads, snaps, wires, catches, fasteners, screws, nails, tacks, rivets, staples, springs, friction detents and friction fittings.
7. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the engagement member comprises cooperating members associated with the slidable flange and the intumescent member.
8. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 7 wherein the cooperating engagement members comprise one or more receptacles on the intumescent member which receive one or more cooperating detents on said slidable flange.
9. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the intumescent member comprises one or more additional apertures for passage therethrough.
10. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the intumescent member is formed entirely of one or more intumescent materials.
11. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the fixed flange is a plate having an opening in alignment with the conduit.
12. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 11 wherein the fixed flange is permanently affixed to the conduit.
13. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the slidable flange comprises an opening corresponding to an exterior dimension of the conduit to allow the slidable flange to slide on the conduit.

14. (original) The poke through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the conduit body further comprises a stop member.

15. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 14 wherein the stop member is taken from the group consisting of a raised area on the conduit and detents, flanges, collars, posts and extensions permanently attached to the conduit.

16. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 14 wherein the stop member is permanently attached to the conduit in a location corresponding to the thickness of a four hour rated fire floor.

17. (original) The poke-through fitting of Claim 1 wherein the conduit and the fixed flange are maintained in a permanently affixed or integral arrangement.